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§644.120 Condemnation for local cooperation projects.

Under the provisions of the River and Harbor Acts approved June 29, 1906 (33 U.S.C. 592) and August 8, 1917 (33 U.S.C. 593), and the Flood Control Acts approved March 1, 1917 (39 Stat. 950) and August 18, 1941 (33 U.S.C. 701c-2), respectively, the Secretary of the Army may cause proceedings to be instituted in the name of the United States for acquisition by condemnation of lands, easements or rights-of-way which local interests undertake to furnish free of cost to the United States. Requests for the institution of proceedings in the name of the United States will be addressed by the local parties to the Secretary of the Army and submitted to the Division or District Engineer. No land will be acquired on behalf of local interests by the filing of condemnation proceedings until local interests have furnished the Division or District Engineer with satisfactory assurances in accordance with the authorization act. and sufficient funds have been deposited with the Division or District Engineer to pay the expenses of the proceedings and any awards that may be made in the proceedings.

- (a) *General.* The Corps of Engineers will institute condemnation proceedings on behalf of a local interest only when the local interest:
- (1) Lacks authority to acquire the necessary real estate interests by eminent domain; or
- (2) Cannot obtain possession by local eminent domain proceedings in time to meet the construction schedule; or
- (3) Unusual circumstances exist so that acquisition by local inerests would not be in the best interest of the United States.
- (b) Information to accompany assembly. Upon request of the local interests that the real estate interest be acquired by condemnation proceeding in the name of the United States, the Division or District Engineer will transmit to HQDA (DAEN-REA-C) WASH DC 20314 an appropriate condemnation assembly, prepared in accordance with §644.114, with recommendations and the following information:
 - (1) Citation of authorizing act.

- (2) Whether valid assurances have been accepted, giving date of acceptance.
- (3) That the estate or estates to be acquired conform to the requirements set forth in subpart J (to be published).
- (4) Appraisal values of the interest proposed for acquisition.
- (5) That sufficient funds to cover court awards and expenses of the proceedings have been deposited by local interests with the Division or District Engineer.
- (6) Efforts made by local interests to acquire the real estate interests and reasons for requesting the United States to file condemnation proceedings.

§644.121 Leasehold condemnation requirements.

- (a) Requirements for extension. The interest acquired in land by a leasehold condemnation proceeding terminates after a one-year term, unless notice to extend the term is filed in the appropriate United States District Court. In all leasehold cases, the Division or District Engineer will ascertain from the using service whether the premises included in such condemnation proceedings will be required for an additional term. This should be done sufficiently in advance of the end of the term to allow adequate time for the action necessary to extend the term. These instructions apply to civil works projects as well as military projects.
- (1) The Department of the Air Force will ascertain and advise the Chief of Engineers concerning the future requirements for the land in Air Force leasehold cases. Where the Department of the Air Force has a continuing requirement for land included in condemnation leasehold cases which are not extendible, the appropriate Division and District Engineers will be informed at the earliest practicable date.
- (2) Extension of the term in a leasehold condemnation case must be accomplished through the Department of Justice which, upon request of the Chief of Engineers, will issue instructions to its field representatives to prepare a notice of election to extend the term and file it in the appropriate United States District Court. The Chief